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LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

Dear Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the U. S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified new Patent Application:

- 1. Abstract and Specification (32 pages, 21 claims)
- 2. Informal Drawings (11 sheets)

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